THE

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

LINCOLNSHIRE

COUNTY LUNATIC ASYLUM,

AT BRACEBRIDGE,

NEAR LINCOLN.

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE OF VISITORS

OF THE

LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY ASYLUM

FOR

PAUPER LUNATICS.

JANUARY, 1856.

The Committee of Visitors, in presenting their Annual Report to the Courts of Quarter Sessions, pursuant to the Statute, have the pleasure to record their continued confidence and satisfaction in the general management of the Asylum.

The Commissioners in Lunacy, on their visit in September last, remarked that "the Asylum appeared to them to be in a satisfactory condition, and under very careful and judicious superintendance,—that they had seen all the patients, who were remarkably quiet

and orderly, and that there was not one who exhibited any excitement."

This simple fact, of the perfect tranquillity of every patient, seems to afford satisfactory testimony of the system on which the Institution is conducted.

The average daily resident number of patients, during the year ending December, 1855, has been 249, viz., 122 Males, and 127 Females.

The Mortality in the past year has been 9. ½th per cent. of the mean resident number, against 13 per cent. in the previous year; the main causes of death being paralysis, and diseases of the lungs and chest, respectively.

The number of discharges, cured, was 40.6 per cent. of the Admissions, against 40 per cent. in the previous year;—notwithstanding that the greater proportion of the recent cases, being those most susceptible of cure, were removed to the Derby, and other Asylums.

The Visitors, in their report of last year, remarked on the rapidly increasing number of Lunatics, and that they had found it necessary to contract with the Visitors of the Derby County Asylum, to receive the surplus of Lincolnshire patients. Under that contract, 34 Lincolnshire patients were received into the Derby Asylum in the last year; and other Lincolnshire patients, for the same reason of want of accommodation in their own County, have been removed to the Hull Borough, and other distant Asylums. In August last, the Derbyshire Visitors were under the necessity of giving notice to determine the Contract, on account of their own increasing numbers:—and, about the same time, the attention of the Commissioners in Lunacy was directed

to the subject, and they came down, and made a special Report thereon. The Visitors, therefore, proceeded to take into consideration the expediency of enlarging the present accommodation in this Asylum. The original Building plan, it will be remembered, admitted of extension by adding a story to each of the receding wings, giving accommodation for about 80 additional patients; at a probable cost, in building, of from four to five thousand pounds. In preference to the adoption of this plan, the Visitors decided to meet the immediate pressure by carrying out a suggestion of the Commissioners in Lunacy, viz., to partition off the further ends of the same two wings, and convert them into Dormitories; and also to convert into Dormitories the Dayrooms in the wards E; whereby sleeping accommodation will be obtained for 48 additional patients, at a cost not exceeding £100—the cost of beds, (£7 10s. 7d. per head), being of course the same in either case. The double wooden screens are now being erected, and it is expected that the alterations will be completed in the course of the next month, when immediate steps will be taken to get in the out-patients.

The Asylum—including the Infirmaries—will then accommodate 156 males and 156 females, in all 312;—but, looking at the aggregate number of Lunatics in the County, viz. 526, (as appears by the annual returns in January last) of whom there were at that time,

In the County Asylum	241
In other Asylums	21
In Workhouses	132
And with Friends	132

—and taking into account the increasing desire to place patients in the County Asylum, especially the new cases, the Committee of Visitors cannot entertain the expectation that the additional provision above mentioned will suffice for any long continuance.

The Visitors have also to report that the Cemetery on the Asylum ground, with a Chapel and boundary wall, was completed and duly consecrated in April last, since which time 15 interments have taken place there; every necessary regulation being made in deference to the feelings of relatives, and a proper Register being kept.

A boundary wall has also been made to the Coal yard; and the cost of this, and other necessary additions, and of the general expenditure in maintenance of the Fabric, will be found in the appendix of this

Report.

The dilapidated state of the boundary fence next to the Turnpike Road—consisting of a decayed hedge, incessantly broken down so as to interrupt the proper seclusion, and invite the escape of patients and the intrusion of passengers,—will presently require the attention of the Visitors. A boundary wall will be found necessary, and in the end to be the most economical.

The Farm, consisting of about 30 acres, cultivated chiefly by the manual labor of the patients, has been most productive in the past year; and now that a sufficient balance has been accumulated to maintain the necessary stock in hand, the entire profits of the Farm will in future be carried to the relief of the Maintenance Account.

The provision in the late Act of Parliament authorizing the calls on the Unions to be made in part prospectively, has enabled the Visitors to discontinue the banking arrangement of borrowing money at interest on their own personal responsibility; but to insure a proper balance at all times in the Treasurer's hands, it will be necessary that the calls be obeyed with greater punctuality.

A Table is subjoined of the Contract prices for provisions in the past year. The expenditure in detail will appear in the Steward's Accounts in March.

The Average weekly rate has been 10s. 6d. which, considering the high price of provisions (see Table appended,) and contrasting it with that of other County Asylums similarly situated, the Committee cannot regard as being otherwise than satisfactory.

(Signed on behalf of the Committee,)

ROBERT SHEFFIELD,
Chairman.

January, 1856.

Average Contract prices of Provisions.

ARTICLES.	1852.	1853.	1854.	1855.
Bread, per 4lb. loaf	s. d. $0 4\frac{1}{4}$	s. d. $0.5\frac{1}{4}$	s. d. 0 7	s. d. $0.7\frac{1}{4}$
Flour, per stone	1 7	$1 \ 11\frac{3}{4}$	$2 7\frac{3}{4}$	$2 8\frac{3}{4}$
Beef ,,	5 3	$5 9\frac{3}{4}$	$6 6\frac{1}{2}$	$7 0\frac{1}{4}$
Mutton ,,	5 3	6 7	$6 8\frac{3}{4}$	$7 0\frac{1}{4}$
Milk, per gallon	0 8	0 8	0 9	0 91
Malt, per qr		66 0	76 0	72 0
Hops, per lb		$1 3\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	$2 1\frac{1}{2}$
Butter, salt, cwt	86 0	93 6	98 0	95 0
Tea, per lb	3 6	$3 2\frac{1}{4}$	$2 \ 10\frac{1}{4}$	$3 1\frac{1}{2}$
Treacle, per cwt	16 6	19 3	20 6	20 0
Soap, ,,	41 0	41 9	41 0	35 0
Sugar, ,,	36 0	37 3	36 3	35 9
Coals, per ton	10 6	12 0	15 0	$ \begin{cases} 14 & 0 \\ 12 & 6 \end{cases} $
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GEORGE KIRKUP,

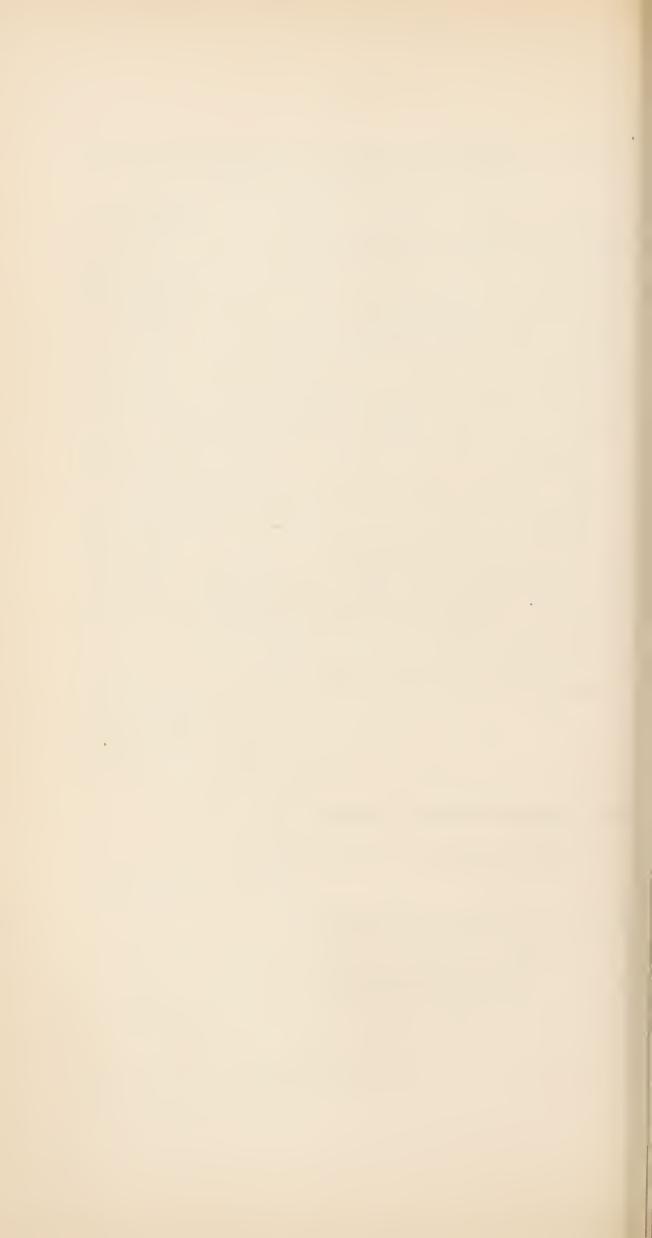
STEWARD.

Abstract of Expenditure on the Fabric Account, from January 1st 1855, to January 1st 1856.

	£	s.	d.
Cemetery, Chapel and Boundary Wall	319	8	2
Mr. Swan, Fees on Consecration	14	6	6
Coal-yard	148	5	10
Sun Shades for Airing Courts	100	16	5
Lincoln Waterworks Company	100	0	0
Furniture, Alga Marina, Iron Tubing, &c	100	8	5
Paint	41	11	3
Tradesmen, for repairs, (Plumbers, Millwrights, &c)	23	0	4
Timber, Iron, Lathe Tools, and Materials for			
Workshops	118	12	11
Weekly Wages of Carpenters, Masons, and			
Engineer	360	2	4
Lithographer, Printing, Stationery	37	12	
Fire Insurance and Property Tax	29	2	8
Bank Interest from June, 1854, to June, 1855	34	0	7
Mr. Moore, for Stamps on Conveyance, Contracts, &c	9	1	6
Miscellaneous payments, per Steward's petty			
Cash Book	19	15	3
Balance owing to Steward, 31st Dec. 1854	16	10	9
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hands			
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August, By Rate1000 0 0		13	0
August, By Rate		13	0
August, By Rate		13	0
August, By Rate		13	0
August, By Rate	544		0

M. P. MOORE,

CLERK TO THE VISITORS.



LINCOLNSHIRE

COUNTY ASYLUM.

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

In accordance with the Regulations of the Asylum, the Medical Superintendent has the honor to submit to the Committee of Visitors his third Annual Report, together with the usual statistical returns respecting the patients who have been under care and treatment during the year.

On referring to the Tables it will be observed, that Tables II. & III. at the close of the year 1854, there were 243 patients in the Asylum, of whom 120 were men, and 123 women, and that during the year 1855, 32 men and 30 women were admitted, thus making the total number under Admissions. treatment 305, viz.—152 men and 153 women.

Discharges, Deaths, and remaining numbers. Of these, two men and two women were discharged relieved, thirteen men and ten women were sent out recovered, and ten men and thirteen women died, making the total of discharges and deaths 50, viz.—25 men and 25 women, and leaving in the Asylum at the end of the year 255 patients, consisting of 127 men and 128 women.

Average resident numbers.

The average daily resident numbers were 122.15 of men, and 127.37 of women, being 249.52 of both sexes collectively.

Praiseworthy conduct of the Male and Female Attendants.

It will be a source of gratification to the Visitors to learn that, amidst the many conflicting mental elements of which an insane population is necessarily composed, the year was passed peacefully and cheerfully by the patients, and that neither untoward accident, nor epidemic disorder occurred amongst them. The proportion of recoveries was encouraging, and the mortality was diminished to a very low average. For these satisfactory results it is but just to state, that the Superintendent was much indebted to the assiduity of the Attendants on both sides of the Asylum in carrying out his instructions, and to the beneficial influence which their character and habits exercised over the morâle of those entrusted to their care. Nearly the whole of these Attendants received their special training in the Asylum, and have learnt to value a discipline which, while it enforces order and regularity in the performance of all their duties, maintains their self-respect, and never withholds from them any reasonable indulgence. A proper spirit of watchfulness and observation has been kept up by them; and they have acted on the knowledge, that however trivial a circumstance may be in itself, it immediately

becomes of importance when it in any way affects the condition of a patient,—that, indeed, to be inobservant of trifles is to prepare the way for unruliness and mishap. Their conduct is brought thus prominently under the notice of the Visitors, as a fitting acknowledgement of their services, and as a stimulus to their further exertions; for it is only through the attentiveness and good character of his staff of Attendants, that a Superintendent can hope to carry out a sound and rational treatment of insanity, or to stamp his institution as an Hospital for the Insane, and not as a Madhouse.

Of the sixty-two admissions, only fourteen were cases of the first attack and of recent occurrence; the remainder consisted of chronic and for the most part hopeless cases, and of such as had suffered from previous attacks, and in whom permanent recovery was highly improbable. Such cases continue oscillating between the Asylum and their homes or the Workhouses; every attack becoming longer and every interval of health shorter, until at length they lapse into the steadily increasing list of permanent cases.

It was observed with regret in the two previous Reports, that several patients had not been brought to the Asylum as promptly as they should have been after the first appearance of their insanity. The injury thus Delayinsending inflicted on the patients and their families, and the increased expense to the parishes consequent on prolonged treatment were also commented on. Another year's experience still leaves room for similar regrets. Seven of the patients admitted, although suffering from the first attack, had been more than three months insane before they were brought to the Asylum, and during this

Character of cases admitted.

Table XI.

recent cases to the Asylum still occurring.

Table XI.

time could not have received any kind of proper remedial Why should this be? Why—when it is so treatment. well known that, for the poor, delay of Asylum-treatment and chronicity of disorder are intimately associated as cause and effect—should even one month be allowed to elapse without applying the curative agents which have here been provided with so much care? answer seems, from enquiry, to be that the patients were not considered bad enough for removal—that no overt acts of violence had been committed by them-or, that it was thought they might get better without removal; so that the Asylum, with all its appliances, has in some cases been regarded only as the last resource of a forlorn hope, while, indeed, the Tables of Recoveries have always attested that, however valuable it might be as a home for chronic cases, it is still more valuable as a curative The Legislature does not sanction the Institution. retention of recent cases in workhouses beyond a few days, and there is no reason to suppose that the officers connected with those Institutions have any desire to hold such cases under their charge; but in the dwellings of the poor circumstances are different; there, surrounded with the worst possible conditions for recovery, recent cases are to be found passing steadily or impulsively Their common history is, that after from bad to worse. having been strange in manner, fanciful, and incoherent for some time, they become noisy, or suicidal, or destructive and dangerous; medicines prescribed by the Union Medical Officer, and often enough, food also, are refused to be taken; and, at length, when exhaustion is found to be advancing without any diminution of excitement, the propriety of sending the patient to the Asylum

is forced upon the attention. All this is much to be regretted; but the remedy is sufficiently simple, and quite in the hands of the Boards of Guardians, who should impress upon all the Officers administering to the out-door poor that the Asylum is the proper place for the treatment of every recent case of insanity falling under their notice, and that overt acts of violence, outrageous conduct, or impending exhaustion should not be waited for before applying to the proper authorities for an order of admission. The cases numbered 395, 402, and 391 in the obituary illustrate these remarks.

The number of recoveries amounted to 23, in 18 of whom the average duration of disorder before admission was one month, and the average time of residence in the Asylum seven months and a half. One patient who relapsed, (numbered 263 in the Table of Recoveries,) had A relapsed case, been insane for many years before his admission, and was discharged after two years' residence in the Asylum, during the last six months of which he was an industrious cheerful workman in the garden, and apparently free from all delusions and eccentricities. He remained out however, only three weeks, when he returned in a far worse condition both of body and mind than he had ever been before. It was ascertained, from the Relieving Officer who brought him back, that soon after his arrival at home his wife insisted on his remaining in bed, and, as he naturally objected to this proceeding, had him fastened hand and foot to the bedstead. His mental disorder quickly returned, and accustomed as he had been to active out-of-door employment, his bodily health soon gave way. A more pitiable object can scarcely be conceived than he was on his re-admission. Pallid and

Recoveries. Table XV.

weak, his head bent down on his chest, full of suspicion, and terrified at everything around him, he kept continually murmuring, "I don't know what to do I am sure"—"I don't know what will become of me." He is now again slowly regaining his strength, but his mental condition is unaltered. This is, happily, an extreme case, and likely arose from fear and ignorance on the part of the woman, but it shows that to ensure the proper care of discharged patients, and to protect them from the operation of such stupid misgivings, it is most desirable that they should be visited at short intervals for some time after their return home by the parochial officers.

Deaths.
Table XVI.

The obituary does not offer much for comment. causes of death were diseases of the Brain, including General Paralysis, in eight cases, diseases of the Heart and Lungs in six, diseases of the abdominal organs in eight, and exhaustion from a severe burn in one case. The seasons do not appear to have had any marked influence on the mortality: thus in April, September, and December no death occurred; one took place in January, one in June, and one in August; two in May and two in July; three in March; four in February and four in November; and five in October. The conditions of the atmosphere and the liabilities to disease are certainly very different in months which are thus brought together. October is not the most unwholesome month in the year, nor are April and December the most salubrious, yet in the former the largest number of deaths occurred, and in the latter no death at all took place.

From this it may be inferred that the site is health-

ful, and that the physical condition of the patients was sufficiently vigorous to withstand the frequent changes of temperature and moisture which characterize our climate.

Two inquests were held during the year; one in a case of severe and extensive burn, which occurred shortly before the patient was brought to the Asylum; the other in a case of sudden exhaustion from Acute Mania on the fourth day after admission. They were The evidence in both cases was satisboth females. factory to the Coroner of the care and attention bestowed on them while in the Asylum.

Inquests.

It has been sought to make everything within the occupation and Asylum contribute, directly or indirectly, to induce of the Patients. healthy and varied impressions on the patients' minds. As a first essential, cleanliness, order, and regularity are strictly observed; without them, indeed, recovery is a mere matter of chance, for a confused and entangled mind is but little likely to be disembarrassed while objects in careless confusion are perpetually before it. The useful occupation of the patients has been carefully systematised, and their recreation enlarged and diversi-During the fine months the practice of sending patients to walk beyond the limits of the Asylum was introduced, and the results were so satisfactory that in future it will be continued as an essential part of the management. Although the scenery in the immediate neighbourhood has no claim to the picturesque, and is not well adapted for pic-nics, yet a simple roadside walk, or a scramble across the fields relieves the monotony of Asylum life, and mitigates the feeling of coercive confinement, which is at all times so disagreeable to man

with his proud instinct of liberty. A few of the patients were also sent into the Lincoln Fair, where they conducted themselves with perfect propriety, and thoroughly enjoyed both its gingerbreads and wonders.

Fulness of the Asylum.

Temporary arrangements.

The circumstance of the Asylum being full has already been under the notice of the Visitors, as well as of the Commissioners in Lunacy; and the result has been the adoption of a plan for some temporary arrangements, by which 25 additional patients on each side of the Asylum will be accommodated. As, however, the removal of the Lincolnshire patients now confined in the Derby Asylum will immediately fill all the new beds on the women's side, the question of enlarging the building, as originally contemplated, will, no doubt, engage the attention of the Visitors at an early period. Including the patients sent to Derby, the excess of admissions over discharges and deaths during the year was thirty-five; in other words, additional provision for To this 35 patients was required during the year. must be added 14 who were sent to other Asylums. is not probable that this increase is due to a corresponding increase of insane paupers in the County, but rather to the effects of the "Lunatic Asylums Act," which, passed in Nov. 1853, has been steadily getting into effective operation. The Commissioners in Lunacy clearly point out the causes of the large and progressive addition that is yearly being made to the number of pauper lunatics under treatment, in their Report for 1855. It is there stated that, "Independently of the facilities afforded for the due care of Pauper Lunatics by the greatly enlarged accommodation lately provided for them in Public Asylums in their own vicinity, and

Report of the Commissioners in Lunacy for 1855. the encouragement held out by the Legislature for placing all such Lunatics under medical care in the earliest stage of their malady, it is impossible to doubt that the skill and kindness with which they are treated in such institutions have tended greatly to lengthen their lives, and have very materially diminished the average rate of mortality among them; and, as a necessary consequence, have largely increased the number of chronic and probably incurable cases with which all our Asylums, even the most spacious, are rapidly becoming filled.

"It is further to be observed, that the stringent provisions of the law by which parochial and other authorities are required to take immediate proceedings for placing all violent and recent cases under proper care, are being every day more rigidly and systematically enforced in proportion as the machinery for the purpose becomes better understood, and with the wholesome effect of transferring to Lunatic Asylums a great many insane paupers who had theretofore been harboured in workhouses, or allowed to live at large on a parish allowance with their relations, where, if they were not positively maltreated and abused, their mental disorder was utterly neglected.

"It is obvious also, that the attention of Medical Practitioners (as well as of the public generally) has of late years been led to take a far more comprehensive as well as scientific view of Insanity in its various aspects, and to consider as properly falling under it many forms of disease, which, from not exhibiting any strongly developed symptoms, were in former times wholly over-

looked, although with a view to their cure, it might be of essential importance that the best remedial treatment should be applied to them with the utmost promptitude.

"Moreover, as we have already had occasion to state in several of our former Reports, our own efforts in the course of visitation have exercised a perceptible influence in the same direction, and, seconded by the efforts of the Poor Law Board, have tended strongly to inculcate on the Guardians of Unions and their subordinate functionaries the obligation, and to confirm them in the practice, of removing from the workhouses to a suitable Asylum, with the least possible delay and without exception, every case of insanity in which the attack is recent, or is attended with symptoms of violence, or in which, for any other reasons, it cannot be properly managed in the Workhouse.

"Another process is also steadily going on, by which Lunatics who originally belonged to the class of private patients are being continually withdrawn from it to swell the ranks of the pauper class. Nothing is more common in practice than for the relatives or friends of a person who is suddenly stricken with insanity, while actively engaged in some laborious calling on which he depends for a livelihood, to undertake the cost of his maintenance and treatment as a private patient in a Licensed House, in the hope that a cure may speedily be wrought, and the necessity for resort to parochial aid may be avoided. But when hope is disappointed, as too frequently it is, and their bounty becomes exhausted, the support of the patient is of course thrown on the

parish, his name is placed upon the pauper list, and he is finally transferred, as soon as room can be found for him, to the public Asylum of the district.

"Indeed it may be said with truth, that except among what are termed the opulent classes, any protracted attack of insanity, from the heavy expences which its treatment entails, and the fatal interruption, which it causes to everything like active industry, seldom fails to reduce its immediate victims to poverty, and ultimately to pauperism.

"If all these considerations are taken into account, it will excite little surprise that the strenuous efforts which of late years have been made in England to provide for the insane poor in Public Asylums, should have been unable to keep pace with the growing demand for such provision, and that a large and every year augmenting class of chronic, and probably hopeless, cases should become accumulated in those Institutions, occupying much of the available accommodation there, to the exclusion, it is feared, of many other cases, to which, as being of recent date, the earliest remedial treatment would be most important."

These statements are highly instructive. They not only account for the fact that in nearly every County Asylum in the country the original accommodation has been found insufficient, but they also shew that no contrivances short of new building will meet the growing necessity of this County. The building should be at once enlarged to contain 400 patients, which, bearing in mind the population of the County and the proportion of insane paupers, only just accords with what has been done in other Counties.

Necessity for further building.

Conclusion.

Again recurring to the administrative duties of the Asylum, the Superintendent begs to report the continued diligence of the officers under his direction, and to thank the Visitors for the uniform kindness and indulgence with which they have favoured him.

EDW. PALMER, M.D.,

Med. Supt.

TABLE I.

Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, from the Opening of the Asylum to

December 31st, 1855.

	M.	F.	Total.
Admitted from Aug. 9, 1852, to Dec. 31, 1855	216	211	427
Re-admitted	17	5	22
Total under treatment	233	216	449
Discharged— M. F. Total.			
Recovered			
Not Recovered 10 6 16			
Died 48 40 88			
Total Discharged and Died	106	88	194
Remaining in the Asylum, Dec. 31, 1855	127	128	255

TABLE II.

Admissions, Re-admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, during the year 1855.

	M.	F.	Total.
Remaining in the Asylum, January 1, 1855	120	123	243
Admitted during the year	25	28	53
Re-admitted during the year	7	2	9
Total under treatment during the year	152	153	305
Discharged— M. F. Total.			
Recovered 13 10 23			
Not Recovered 2 2 4			
Died 10 13 23			
Total Discharged and Died	25	25	50
Remaining in the Asylum, Dec. 31, 1855	127	128	255
Average Daily Resident Numbers 12	2.15 1	27.37	249.52

TABLE III.

Number of Patients admitted and discharged during the year, distinguishing between those brought from different Unions.

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Remaining in the Asylum	Dec. 31st, 1855.	F.	12 12 13 13 13 14 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 11 10 10 10 10	128
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Remaining in the Asylum	Dec. 31st, 1854.	F.	11	123
Re in ti	Dec.	M.	10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1	120
UNIONS.			Boston Bourn Erigg Caistor Gainsborough Grantham Holbeach Horneastle Lincoln Louth Newark Peterborough Sleaford Spalding Spilsby Stamford Thorne County of Lincoln	Total

Union were 8 males and 8 females—total 16; to the Peterborough Union, 2 males; to the Spalding Union, 5 males and 10 females—total 15; and to * From legal transfers of Settlement made since the admission of the Patients, the numbers remaining in the Asylum chargeable to the Grantham the County of Lincoln, 2 males and 1 female—total 3.

TABLE IV.

Under whose Authority the Patients were Admitted.

	Under Orders of—			
		M.	F.	Total.
Tw	vo Visiting Justices (removed from Private Asylum).	0	1	1
Tw	o Justices of the Peace	1	1	2
Jus	stice of the Peace and Relieving Officer	24	19	43
Off	iciating Clergyman and Relieving Officer or Overseer	7	9	16
	Total	32	30	62

 ${\it TABLE~V.}$ Degree of Education in the Patients admitted.

	M.	F.	Total.
Read and Write	14	8	22
Read	7	10	17
Fair Education	4	7	11
Neither Read nor Write	7	5	12
Total	32	30	62

 $\begin{array}{c} {\rm TABLE\ VI.} \\ {\it Religious\ Profession\ of\ the\ Patients\ Admitted.} \end{array}$

	M.	F.	Total.
Church of England	23	22	45
Wesleyan Methodist	5	0	5
Primitive Methodist	2	1	3
Baptist	0	1	1
Unitarian	1	0	1
Roman Catholic	0	1	1
Unknown	1	3	4
None (Idiots)	0	2	2
Total	32	30	62

TABLE VII.

Civil Condition of the Patients admitted.

	M.	F.	Total.
Unmarried	15	14	29
Married	13	7	20
Widowed	4	9	13
Total	32	30	62

TABLE VIII.

Forms of Mental Disorder of the Patients on admission.

	M.	F.	Total.
Monomania	1	3	4
Melancholia	3	4	7
Mania—			
Recent and Acute	11	11	22
Chronic	12	7	19
Remittent and Intermittent	1	2	3
Dementia—			
Imbecility (acquired)	4	1	5
Amentia—			
Idiocy	0	2	2
· Total	32	30	62

TABLE IX.

Shewing some of the more serious Complications of the Mental Disorder in the Patients on admission.

			Total.
Suicidal Tendency manifested in	4	6	10
Epilepsy	4		5
Paralysis		1	1
General Paralysis	2	0	2

TABLE X.

Ages at the First Attack and upon Admission.

AGE		Age a				lmission mission.
	M.	F.	Total.	$\mathbf{M}.$	F.	Total.
Under 5 years	0	2	2			
From 5 to 10 years	0	0	0			
,, 15 ,, 20 ,,	3	0	3	3	2	5
,, 20 ,, 30 ,,	8	5	13	8	5	13
,, 30 ,, 40 ,,	6	6	12	6	6	12
,, 40 ,, 50 ,,	5	6	11	5	6	11
,, 50 ,, 60 ,,	3	3	6	3	3	6
,, 60 ,, 70 ,,	4	5	9	4	5	9
,, 70 ,, 80 ,,	3	3	6	3	2	5
,, 80 ,, 90 ,,	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total	32	30	62	32	30	62

TABLE XI.

Duration of Mental Disorder on Admission.

	$\mathbf{M}.$	F.	Total.
FIRST CLASS.—Cases of the first attack, of not more			
than three months' duration	6	8	14
SECOND CLASS.—Cases of the first attack, of more than		6	
three but not more than twelve			
months' duration	5	2	7
THIRD CLASS.—Cases not of the first attack, and of			
not more than twelve months'			
duration	15	8	23
FOURTH CLASS.—Cases, whether of the first attack or			
not, of more than twelve months'			
duration	6	12	18
	32	30	62

TABLE XII.

Occupation and Station of the Patients.

MALES.		FEMALES.	
	No.	N	No.
Baker	1	Charwomen	3
Brushmaker	1	Dressmakers	2
Carpenter	1	Housekeeper	1
Coalporter	1	Servants	7
Cottager	1	Strawbonnet-maker	1
Grocer	1	Tramp	1
Hawkers	2	Wives, Widows, and Daughters of	
Laborers	14	Bleacher	1
Mariner	1	Farmer	11
Publican	1	Laborers	51
Servant	1	Maltster	11
Shoemakers	4	Pensioner	11
Smiths	3	Sailor	11
٠		Soldiers	3
		Unknown	2
	32		30

TABLE XIII.

Average Number of Male Patients daily employed.

O	n the Farm	34
In	the Kitchen	2
	" Dispensary	1
	" Shoemaker's Shop	
	" Tailor's Shop	
	" Painter's Shop	
	" Engineer's Department	
	" Steward's "	
As	ssisting Houseporter	1
\mathbf{H}_{0}	elping in the Wards	25
	Total average number employed	74
A	verage sick and otherwise incapable	48
Av	verage daily resident number	122

Farm labour:

	verage number of Patients employed daily		34.61
A.	verage number of hours per week, per Patient employed in		
	farm-labour		27.01
To	otal time of labour—48,668 hours— calculated at 10 clear	Wl	KS.
	hours per day	81	1
N	imber of men required to do the same amount of work in		
	the same number of days, working the average labourer's		
	time of 10 hours a day		15.64
Ra	tio of Patients to ordinary labourers	as 1 t	

TABLE XIV.

Number of Female Patients daily employed.

Laundry	26
Kitchen	6
Residences	2
Needlework and helping in the wards	44
Knitting	15
	93
Total employed	
Sick and otherwise incapable	34
	127
Needlework done by the Female Patients, 1854—1855.	
Aprons	
Bedcases 6	
Cushions for the Chapel 2	
Dusters 50	
Flannel vests 55	
Gowns 115	
Handkerchiefs	
Night-caps 430	
Night-gowns 30	
Pillow-cases	
Pinafores 30	
Quilted blankets	
Sheets 12	
Shifts	
Shirts 6	
Shrouds 22	
Stockings made	š.
Do. re-footed	
Tablecloths	
Towels	
Women's day-caps 24	
TO UTION 5 day "Caps	
Total new work2160 piece	es.
Sundry repairs15,716 pie	eces.

TABLE XV.

TABLE OF RECOVERIES.

Form of Mental Disorder.	Mania. Mania. Suicidal mania. Mania. Acute mania. Religious monomania. Acute mania. Mania. Mania. Hysterical mania. Mania. Suicidal mania. Suicidal mania. Monomania. Suicidal melancholia. Moral insanity. Suicidal mania. Acute mania.
Supposed Cause of Insanity.	Hereditary tendency, and fall on the head. Hereditary tendency. Brain fever. Intemperance. None assigned. Religious enthusiasm. Disappointed affections. None assigned. Puerperal convulsions. Intemperance. Dysmenorrhea. Hereditary tendency. Predisposition to insanity, and being put under arrest while serving in the militia. Debility, and the transportation of her son. None assigned. Religious enthusiasm. Vicious habits. None assigned. Amenorrhea. Being degraded in his work by his employer. Sudden death of her husband. None assigned.
Duration of Residence in the Asylum.	156 days. 456 days. 196 days. 196 days. 190 days. 270 days. 303 days. 617 days. 285 days. 66 days. 107 days. 107 days. 68 days. 154 days. 88 days. 88 days. 262 days. 88 days. 262 days. 263 days. 264 days. 270 days. 154 days. 265 days. 265 days. 265 days. 267 days.
Length of Time Insane when Admitted.	A few weeks. 5 weeks. 2 months. A week. A week. A fortnight. 4 years. 3 months. A fortnight. A week.
Sex.	KKAKAKAKA KAKAKAKA
Age and Civil State when admitted.	40 years—married. 27 years—single. 52 years—single. 37 years—married. 37 years—married. 32 years—single. 57 years—married. 45 years—married. 45 years—single. 24 years—single. 25 years—single. 25 years—single. 26 years—single. 27 years—single. 28 years—single. 29 years—single. 29 years—single. 30 years—single. 30 years—single. 36 years—single. 37 years—married. 38 years—married. 35 years—married. 35 years—married.
No. in Register.	375 314 369 377 353 383 384 384 364 364 364 390 390 390 410 410 410 330 417

TABLE XVI. OBITUARY.

Apparent Cause of Death.	Gastric fever. General paralysis. Final symptoms convul-	Exhaustion from the effects of a burn.	Fatty disease of the heart; congestive pneumonia.	Exhaustion from acute mania. General paralysis. Final symptom coma.	Chronic muco-enteritis. General paralysis. Final symptoms convulsions	Fulmonary consumption. Exhaustion from acute mania. General paralysis. Final symptoms asthenic.	Acute pulmonary consumption.	Hepatic disease; general dropsy, General paralysis. Final symptom coma.	Hydatid disease of Liver; Dropsy. Chronic cerebritis; Diarrhea; Coma. General paralysis. Final symptoms convul-	Muco-enteritis. Muco-enteritis. Muco-enteritis.	Chronic bronchitis. Congestive pneumonia.
Duration of Residence in the Asylum.	6 days. 448 days.	10 days	838 days. 256 days.	4 days. 587 days.	48 days. 138 days.	284 days. 3 days. 269 days.	1044 days.	1066 days. 584 days.	1129 days. 103 days. 151 days.	726 days. 238 days. 120 days.	337 days. 1197 days.
Length of time Insane before Admission.	Unknown. 1 year.	9 days.	4 months.	I month.	1 month.	10 days. 1 week. 6 months.	6 years.	Many years. Many months.	Many years. 1 year. 3 weeks.	1 year. 3 days. 1 month.	10 weeks. Many years.
Form of Mental Disorder and Bodily Condition when Admitted.	Mania. Suffering from gastric fever. Mania with general paralysis. Fair bodily health.	n of the b		Acute mania. Thin and extremely feeble. Chronic mania with general paralysis. Bad	Mania. Suffering from muco-enteritis. Mania with general paralysis. Emaciated.	Suicidal melancholia. Phthisical. Acute mania. Greatly exhausted. Dementia with general paralysis. Quite help-	Chronic mania with paralysis. Fair bodily	Chronic remittent mania. Infirm. Dementia with general paralysis. Quite help-	Chronic mania. Hepatic disease. Dementia. Infirm. Mania with general paralysis. Very bad bodily	Chronic mania. Infirm. Remittent mania. Infirm. Suicidal melancholia. Disabled from chronic	articular Theumatism. Mania. Very infirm. Chronic mania. Infirm.
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Age at Death and Civil State.	24 years—single. 40 years—married.	40 years—widowed.	os years—married. 36 years—married.	38 years—single. 42 years—married.	50 years—married. 35 years—married.	37 years—married. 63 years—widowed. 41 years—married.	45 years—single.	83 years—married. 54 years—married.	54 years—married. 80 years—widowed. 39 years—single.	74 years—married. 74 years—widowed. 51 years—widowed,	71 years—widowed. 65 years—married.
No. in Register.	389	395		402 277	391	370 421 380	112	335	86 427 418	310 405 428	385

ACCOUNT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS From the 31st December, 1854, to 31st December, 1855.

RECEIPTS. £ s. d. £ d. From sale of pigs 134 12 3 potatoes..... 95 16 0 corn 231 0 0 461 3 From sale of bones..... 5 17 1 yeast 2 13 11 19 8 3 For labor of patients 35 0 0 From maintenance account. 1. Contributing Unions and Parishes— Boston.... 760 1 0 Bourn 122 6 Brigg 631 18 0 Caistor 274 Gainsboro' 229 17 0 Grantham 412 16 Holbeach ********** 482 4 6 Horncastle 270 6 Lincoln 999 15 Louth 594 3 0 Newark 167 8 6 Peterboro' 71 13 6 Sleaford 526 6 6 Spalding 421 6 6 Spilsby 626 14 6 Stamford 109 10 0 Thorne 85 2 6 6785 18 2. County—for vagrant paupers 68 11 0 £7370 5 6

EXPENDITURE.

1.—SALARIES AND WAGES.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Officers' Salaries	705	16	8			
Attendants' and Servants' Wages	612	1	3			
				1317	17	11

2.—PROVISIONS.

Stock in hand from last year	76	11	$11\frac{1}{2}$
Arrowroot, 262fbs	15	16	9
Bacon, 1 cwt. 2 qr. 16 bs	5	18	4
Barley, 2 cwt. 0 qr. 7tbs	2	3	$4\frac{1}{2}$
Butter, salt, 30 cwt. 3qr. $11\frac{1}{2}$ lbs	146	11	10
Butter, fresh, 215 lbs	13	5	3
Bread, 24258 loaves	744	16	9
Cheese, 34 cwt. 0 qr. 18lbs	114	3	4
Coffee, 474lbs	26	13	4
Chicory, 69lbs	2	0	4
Cocoa, 18 cwt. 1 qr. $20\frac{1}{2}$ 1bs	44	12	$3\frac{1}{2}$
Dried fruits and spices	11	1	10
Eggs, 267 doz	12	1	6
Flour, 1000 st	13 6	16	3
Meat, 3325 st. 12lbs	1167	1	8
Malt, 81½ qrs	285	13	0
Hops, 5 cwt. 3 qr. 16lbs	69	17	3
Brewer	33	12	0
Porter, 882 gall	74	1	6
Oatmeal, 85 st.	11	8	1
Peas, 50 st	7	9	2
Milk, 4445 gall	171	7	11
Poultry and Fish	2	11	$2\frac{1}{2}$
Rice, 10 cwt. 3 qr. 21bs	11	13	1
Sugar, soft, 29 cwt. 3 qr. 17lbs	53	19	10
	•		

Carried forward... 3241 7 10 1317 17 11

33							
	£	s	. d.	£	Ç L	S.	d.
$Brought\ forward$	•			131	7 1	7	11
PROVISIONS—continued.	3241	1 1	7 10				
Sugar, loaf, 147lbs			5 4				
Salt, mustard, pepper, and vinegar		2 18					
Treacle, 36 cwt. 3 qr. 17lbs		18					
Tea, 9981bs			$5\frac{1}{2}$	<u>l</u>			
Miscellaneous			4	2			
Superintendent's allowance in lieu of board							
				_			
	3593	14	4 4	·			
Deduct stock in hand	67	17	^	•			
	***			- 3525	1	6	113
3.—necessaries.	•						
Stock in hand from last year	444	10	$4\frac{1}{2}$				
Candles, 257lbs	7	4	2				
Coals, hard, 800 tons	522	10	0				
Cinder, sifter 1	2	0	0				
Oil, 25 gall	6	8	6				
Soap, 44 cwt. 1 qr. 9lbs	80	2	$3\frac{1}{2}$				
Soda, 17 cwt. 2 qr. 20lbs	5	ð	5				
Starch and blue, 2011bs	6	2	4				
Wood, 2 loads	10	0	0				
Scouring-flannel, 22 pieces	26	15	6				
Shovels, 24	3	5	6				
Labor in the manufacture of gas	93	1	2				
Lime for gas	2	8	9				
Gas-retorts	6	4	9				
Sundries—whiting, black-lead, hearth-stones,							
blacking, &c	19	15	1				
	1235	13	10				
Deduct stock in hand	277	11	0				
				958	2	10)
Carried forward				5801	17	8	33

Brought forward...

£ s. d. £ s. d.

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4.—DISPENSARY.						
Tobacco, 322lbs	53	13	4			
Snuff, 50lbs.	12	16	3			
Wine, $48\frac{1}{2}$ gallons	43	6	0			
Brandy, $3\frac{1}{2}$ gallons	5	2	0			
Drugs	100	1	2			
				214	18	9
5.—FURNITURE.	0.0	10	,			
Culinary and other utensils		16	1			
Candlesticks, 6	0	8	0			
Coal-pans, 24		14	0			
Diaper, 53 yds	4	_	11			
Door-mats, 2	0	6	0			
Forfar, 147 yds		10	5 ‡			
Knives, 3 doz	1	1	0			
Pillow-casing, 158½ yards	4	19	0			
Sheeting, $48\frac{1}{2}$ yards	6	9	4			
Table-cloths, 6	2	17	0			
Table-cover, 1	0	10	6			
Toilet-covers, 6	0	13	6			
Mops, brooms, brushes, &c	18	15	0			
Wooden pails, 24	4	10	0			
Repairs	5	0	$8\frac{1}{2}$			
				95	14	53
6.—clothing.						
Stock in hand from last year	170	15	4 1			
Blue Check, 299 yards		10	$\frac{-2}{2\frac{1}{4}}$			
Calico, 131½ yards	3	0	3			
Coburg, 112 yards	8	8	0			
	25	3	4			
Corduroy, $321\frac{1}{2}$ yards		19	3			
Derry, 183 yards		15	4			
Dressmaker		12	0			
Flannel, 576 yards		19	$3\frac{1}{2}$			
Flax and hemp						
Carried forward	256	3	01	6112	10	11 1

	£	s	. d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward				6112	10	$11\frac{1}{2}$
CLOTHING—continued.	256	3	$0\frac{1}{4}$			
Forfar, 295 yards	7	1	4			
Grey Cloth 190½ yards	53	12	$9\frac{1}{4}$			
Handkerchiefs, $22\frac{3}{4}$ dozen	4	5				
Jean, 102 yards	3	3	9			
Leather	78	0	3			
Lining for Dresses, 2 pieces	0	15	7 1			
Linen, 28 yards	1	17	$\frac{2}{4}$			
Muslin, linen, collars, &c	3	6	7			
Night caps, 24 dozen	4		0			
Print, 1155½ yards		13	4			
Scolloping, 95 yards	2	5	6			
Stays, 24 pairs	3	1	6			
Shoemaker	97	8	$5\frac{1}{5}$			
Tailor		13	$0^{\overline{2}}$			
Thread, Tape, Needles, &c		_	10			
Worsted, 3261bs.		12	-			
		12	10			
	668	18	$5\frac{1}{4}$			
Deduct stock in hand	235		11/4			
			-4	433	14	4
					_	-
7.—MISCELLANEOUS	•					
Advertisements, printing, stationery, and						
postage	61	4	11			
Bank Interest	40	0	0			
Carriage of goods	8	9	1			
Chimney-sweeping	3	17	0			
Cleaning and repairing Clocks	2	1	0			
Coffin boards	10		-			
Cutting patients' hair		_	0			
A Malt-mill	7		0			
Rates and Taxes		10				
Re-capture of patients		10				
Other expences	20	6	6			1
	~0	0	U	172 1	0	0
		-		1/2 1	9	Ö
Carried forward				3770	1 7	17
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	£	S.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward				6719	4	$11\frac{1}{2}$
8,—FARM EXPENCES	١.					
Stock in hand from last year	129	12	0			
Pigs	1	7	3			
Implements of husbandry	17	0	8			
Labour	77	3	4			
Provender	79	18	8			
Manure	35	1	6			
Seed	35	3	3			
Straw	10	9	0			
Tithe	5	18	7			
Miscellaneous	6	18	$2\frac{1}{2}$			
	398	19	 51			
	130					
Deduct stock in hand		10		267	14	$5\frac{1}{2}$
						_
9.—EXTRA EXPENCE	ES.					
Funeral expences, coffins and burial fees	• • • • • •	• • • •	• • • • •	. 6	0	0
				£ 6992	19	5
Total expenditure	•••••	••••	• •		10	

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EXPENDITURE.	\mathcal{E} s, d, \mathcal{E} s, d,	By Salaries and Wages 1317 17 11	Provisions 3525 16 $11\frac{3}{4}$	Necessaries 958 2 10	Dispensary 214 18 9	Furniture	Clothing 433 14 4	Miscellaneous 172 19 8	Farm-expences	Funeral-expences 6 0 0	6992 19 5	Balance 998 2 $4\frac{3}{4}$	$£7991 1 9\frac{3}{4}$	Company of
RECEIPTS.	\mathcal{E} s. d. \mathcal{E} s. d.	To Balance 31st December, 1854 $620 16 3\frac{3}{4}$	Sale of Farm-produce 461 8 3	Sale of Bones, &c 19 8 3	Labor of Patients 35 0 0	Maintenance Account:—	Contributing Unions 6785 18 0	County 68 11 0					$\mathcal{L}7991 1 9\frac{3}{4}$	Province and the second

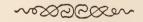
GEORGE KIRKUP, CLERK AND STEWARD.

Contract Prices of the Principal Articles of Consumption, &c., during the Year ending 31st December, 1855.

Articles.	Fir Quar		Seco		Thi Quai		Fou Quar	
Bread, at per 4lb. loaf	s. 0	d. 7½	s. 0	d. $6\frac{1}{2}$	s. 0	d. 7 ³ / ₄	s. 0	d. 7 ³ / ₄
Flour, at per stone	2	$8\frac{1}{4}$	2	6	2	$10\frac{1}{2}$	2	$10\frac{1}{2}$
Beef, ,, ,,	6	8	6	11	7	6	7	0
Mutton, ,, ,,	6	8	6	11	7	6	7	0
Prime Joints, at per lb	0	6	0	6	0	$6\frac{1}{2}$	0	6
Milk, at per gallon	0	9	0	9	0	9	0	10
Malt, at per quarter	60	8	60	8	66	8	70	0
Hops, at per lb	2	6	•••	• • •	1	9	1	9
Butter, salt, at per cwt	106	0	106	0	84	0	84	0
Cocoa, ,, ,,	52	0	52	0	45	0	45	0
Tea, ordinary, at per lb	2	9	2	9	3	6	3	6
Treacle, at per cwt	20	0	20	0	20	0	20	0
Sugar, ordinary, at per cwt.	35	0	35	0	36	6	36	6
Coals, at per ton,								
. Hard	•••	•••		•••	$\begin{cases} 12\\14 \end{cases}$	6 0	•••	• • •

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¢	s. d ★ s, d.	84 10 6	150 8 0	234 18 6	32 5 0	£267 3 6
	By 80 tons, 12 cwt. of coke supplied	to the Asylum at 21s. per ton 84, 1,092,700 feet of gas, at 2s. 9d.	per thousand 150	", 40 tons of coals in hand, at 16s. $1\frac{1}{9}$ d.	per ton	
ક ક ક ફ ફ ફ				93 1 2 2 8 9	6 4 9	£267 3 6
Dr.	To stock of coals in hand from last		16s. 13d. per ton	", lime	,, ,, retorts	

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Dr.												Cr.	
				£ s.	d.	भ	œ	d.	s. d. By provisions supplied to the Asylum:				
To s	tock	in har	To stock in hand 31st December, 1854.	129 12	0				s भ	s. d.	સ	s.	d.
0	ash p	aid for	Cash paid for stock	1 7	භ				Potatoes 69	6 (
33	25	33	farming-implements	17 0	00				Other vegetables 59 14 10	L 10			
33	33	4	labour	77 3	4				Pork17 16 8	ω Ω			
33	23	3	provender	79 18	00						146 12		೧೦
2	33	33	seed	නීට ය	က				By sale of stock	es 3			
33	33	33	manure	35 1	9				,, ,, potatoes 95 16	3			
ţ	33	33	tithe	5 18	3				" " corn 231 (0 (
33	33	33	straw	10 9	0						161	∞	ಌ
33	33	33	sundry expences	81 9	$\frac{21}{2}$	ا			By estimated value of stock in hand,				
" H	Stima	ated va	" Estimated value of farm-man's rations	23 8	3 0				31st Dec., 1855		130 18	∞	0
" T	Tog-w	ash su	", Hog-wash supplied from the Asylum	13 15	9 9								
						435	$15 11\frac{1}{2}$	$11\frac{1}{2}$					
			Balance, to profit			303	€.	$6\frac{1}{2}$					
						£738	18	9			£738 18		9
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